

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph which begins on page 1, line 5 and ends on page 1, line 6 with the following paragraph:

This application claims the benefit of the provisional application no. 60/462,976 filed on April 15, 2003 and U.S. application no. 09/824,694, filed on April 3, 2001.

Please replace the paragraph which begins on page 5, line 21 and ends on page 5, line 24, with the following paragraph:

~~As shown in Figure 1, the~~The software system of the present invention comprises four modules for creating virtual content repositories, providing workflow system integration, relating content from dissimilar repositories and workflow systems, and generating notice of changes to content repositories and workflow systems.

Please replace the paragraph which begins on page 6, line 11 and ends on page 6, line 24, with the following paragraph:

As shown in Figure 1[[2]], the software system of the present invention supports the creation of instances of virtual repositories that include content, content organizing structures (e.g. folders, folder hierarchies, taxonomies), work items, and/or work organizing structures (e.g. queues, task lists, processes) from a plurality of disparate and distributed content repositories and workflow systems. These virtual repositories allow a select, relevant subset of the content and work from the plurality of content repositories and workflow systems available in an enterprise to be virtually isolated, organized, and secured to support a new business context, despite how the content and work may have

been initially grouped into repositories and workflow systems and organized therein. This virtual reorganization is achieved by creating links between the content and work while they are in place in their respective, existing content repositories or workflow systems, rather than by duplicating or replicating the content and work items. Thus, the existing organization, functions, indexing, and security of the content and work is not impacted.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 3 and ends on page 9, line 6, with the following paragraph:

As shown in Figure 2[[3]], the embodiment of the present system relating to integration of workflow systems generally comprises an application program interface (API), an access services component, an exchange services component, and a plurality of bridges that correspond with a plurality of workflow systems.

Please replace the paragraph that starts at page 12, line 6, and ends on page 12 line 19, with the following paragraph:

The software of the present invention further provides for the creation of relationships between content or work items from multiple dissimilar and distributed repositories and workflow systems. As shown in Figure 3[[4]], the API enables the creation of rich relationships between two or more pieces of content, content organizing structures (folders, folder hierarchies, taxonomies), work items and/or work organizing structures (queues, task lists, processes), even when the related items exist in a plurality of content repositories, workflow systems and/or other external information sources. The relationships between items can be very rich with relationship types, metadata about the relationship, logical properties of the relationship such as transitivity, system behaviors

across the relationship such as save and delete propagation, and the like. The relationships themselves can also be the object of relationships with other content, content organizing structures, work items, and/or relationships. A locator architecture is defined that allows the solution to be extended to additional content repositories, workflow systems and other external information sources.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 23 and ends on page 16, line 7, with the following paragraph:

As shown in Figures 4 and 5[[and 6]], the software system of the present invention further provides for notification of one or more event handlers when additions, changes or deletions occur to any subscribed to content, content organizing structures (*e.g.* folders, folder hierarchies, taxonomies), content repository searches, federated content repository searches, work items, work organizing structures (*e.g.* queues, task lists, processes), workflow system searches and/or federated workflow system searches, even when those items exist in a plurality of dissimilar and distributed content repositories, workflow systems and other external information sources. The software provides a “plug-in” architecture that allows the solution to be extended with additional types of change monitors, event filters and event handlers.